

126th Meeting of the Finance Committee 29.10.2025 (Wednesday) at 4.00 P.M.

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Agenda Item No. 1

<u>Confirmation of the Minutes of the 125th Meeting of the Finance Committee of Sports Authority of India (SAI) held on 20th June, 2025</u>

The Minutes of the 125th Meeting of Finance Committee of SAI were circulated vide Circular No. 6(28)/SAI/B&F/125th FC/2025-26 dated 20^{th} June, 2025.

Since no comments have been received, thereafter, Finance Committee may kindly confirm the minutes.

Agenda Item No. 2

Action Taken Report on the decisions taken in the 125th Meeting of the Finance Committee of SAI held on 20th June, 2025

Item No.	Item	Decision	Action Taken
Agenda Item No. 3	Approval of Annual Accounts and Financial Statement of Sports Authority of India (SAI) for the financial year 2024-25.	The proposal was concurred and recommended to be placed before GB for approval.	The proposal has been approved by the Hon'ble Minister for Youth Affairs and Sports / Chairman GB on file. The same will be ratified in the next meeting of GB.
Supplementary Agenda Item No. 1	Procedure for Award of Contract for Procurement of Goods through Proprietary Article Certificate (PAC)	and recommended to be	Implemented.

Agenda Item No. 3

Revision of Financial Norms for National Centre of Excellence (NCOE) and SAI Training Centres (STCs)

- 1. The Sports Authority of India (SAI) implements various Promotional Schemes through its Regional Centres along with its Academic Wings. Among these, two flagship programmes are the National Centres of Excellence (NCOE) and the SAI Training Centres (STC). The NCOEs have been established across the country to provide specialized, high-performance training to promising athletes. These centres offer state-of-the-art infrastructure and playing facilities, sports science support, diets prescribed by qualified nutritionists, and expert supervision by experienced coaches, support staff, and High-Performance Directors. The STCs, aim to groom junior-level sportspersons in the 10–18 years age group who are identified through grassroots scouting. For the establishment and functioning of these centres, the State Governments provide infrastructure facilities, while SAI extends support in terms of boarding and lodging for trainees, scientific training, equipment, and minor infrastructure repairs.
- 2. Over the past years, there has been an upward swing in inflationary trends leading to an escalation in prices of general goods and services including food prices, equipment cost, education etc. In this regard, to establish uniformity across schemes and ensure equitable support to athletes, a committee was constituted as per the approval of DG, SAI for harmonization of norms applicable to the National Centres of Excellence (NCOEs) and SAI Training Centres (STCs).
- 3. The duly formed committee after detailed deliberations submitted its report. The report of the committee is placed at **Annexure-I.**

4. Revision of norms for National Centre of Excellence (NCOE)

i. For NCOEs, financial norms were fixed in 2019 at the time of launch of the scheme. The norms for Miscellaneous & Contingencies (including insurance) were revised in 2024 vide circular No. 23/SAI/OPS/NCOE-Circular/2024-25/8547 dated 04.09.2024 (**Annexure-II**). Further, the NCOE athletes are provided consumable equipment as per the norms set in 2018 (**Annexure-III**).

ii. Diet charges of Rs. 480/- per day per player was fixed in 2019 under Khelo India Scheme. However, in various Regional Centers of SAI the actual Diet charges is far more than this. Many Khelo India Athletes (KIAs) are undergoing residential training at SAI Regional Centers, National Centre of Excellence (NCOE), SAI Training Centre (STC).

Accordingly, norms for Diet charges have been recommended at Rs. 850/- per day per player. The broad breakup is as under:

Material	(680/ day / player)
Dry Ration	Rs. 184/-
Dairy	Rs. 184/-
Fruit & Vegetable	Rs. 190/-
Non- Vegetable	Rs. 122/-
Manpower & Misc.	Rs. 145/- per day per player
Gas	Rs. 25/- per day per player
Total (Diet Charges)	Rs. 850/- per day per player

iii. After deliberations, the committee has proposed following norms for NCOEs:

Particulars	Existing Norms	Proposed Norms	Justification
Boarding	On Actual basis	Rs. 850/- per day per athlete (with a margin of 10%)	This is at par with Junior National Coaching Camp norms. This will ensure parity between elite athletes in National Coaching Camps and those pursuing long-term excellence at NCOEs. Further, Khelo India Athletes are also

Particulars	Existing Norms	Proposed Norms	Justification
			having training at SAI NCOE and their Boarding Charges is fixed at Rs. 480/- per day per player in 2019.
Sports Kit	Rs. 20,000/- per athlete per year	Rs. 20,000/- per athlete per year	 No change proposed
Competition Exposure and Visits	Rs 50,000/- (Domestic)	Rs 60,000/- (Domestic)	 The proposed norms are at par with Khelo India norms
Education Support	Rs. 10,000/- per athlete per year	Rs. 30,000/- per athlete per year	The proposed norms are at par with Khelo India norms. This will ensure fairness, apart from strengthening the athlete education support system; recognizing the dual need for academic continuity alongside sports training
Misc. and Contingencies (including insurance)	Rs. 15,000/- per athlete per year.	Rs. 15,000/- per athlete per year.	 No change proposed as the same was last revised in 2024

Particulars	Existing Norms	Proposed Norms	Justification
Consumable Equipment	Sports Specific	Norms to be revised for three disciplines - Archery, Fencing and Shooting	 Archery, Fencing & Shooting are some of the most expensive disciplines

iv. Financial Implication

Particulars	Existing Norms	Proposed Norms
Boarding	No. of Residential Athletes X No. of training Days X Boarding Charges 3914 X 320 X 480 =	3914 X 320 X 935 = Rs. 1,17,10,68,800/-
	Rs. 60,11,90,400/- No. of Athletes X Present	No. of Athletes X
	No. of Athletes & Present Norms	Proposed Norms
Sports Kit		•
	4309 X 20,000 =	4309 X 20,000 =
	Rs. 8,61,80,000/-	Rs. 8,61,80,000/-
	No. of Athletes X Present	No. of Athletes X
Competition Exposure	Norms	Proposed Norms
and Visits	4309 X 50,000 =	4309 X 60,000 =
	Rs. 21,54,50,000/-	Rs. 25,85,40,000/-
	No. of Athletes X Present	No. of Athletes X
El adra Garage	Norms	Proposed Norms
Education Support	4309 X 10,000 =	4309 X 30,000 =
	Rs. 4,30,90,000/-	Rs. 12,92,70,000/-
	No. of Athletes X Present	No. of Athletes X
Misc and Contingencies	Norms	Proposed Norms
(including insurance)	4309 X 15000 =	4309 X 15000 =
	Rs. 6,46,35,000/-	Rs. 6,46,35,000/-

Particulars	Existing Norms	Proposed Norms
Consumable Equipment (Archery, Fencing & Shooting)	Rs. 8,12,02,060/- (2,75,00,000+2,21,00,000 +3,16,02,060 respectively)	Rs. 23,18,38,000/- (7,63,40,000+7,27,09,0 00+8,27,89,000 respectively)
Total Difference	109,17,47,460 Rs. 84,97,	194,15,31,800 84,340/-

5. SAI Training Centres (STCs)

- i. The Financial Norms under General Expenditure for STCs were revised in 2024, vide circular No. 23/SAI/OPS/NCOE-Circular/2024-25/8548 dated 04.09.2024 and the STC athletes are provided consumable equipment as per the norms set in July, 2016 in accordance to the strength of the centre.
- ii. After deliberations, the Committee has proposed following norms for STCs:

Particulars	Existing Norms	Norms Proposed by Committee	Justification
Boarding	Rs. 300/-(Non Hilly) per head per day Rs. 330/- (Hilly) per head per day	Rs. 500/-per athlete per day (with a margin of 10%)	 Based on the actual requirements and to improve food quality.
Sports Kit	Rs. 24,000/- per annum for	Rs. 15,000/-per athlete per year	 Separation of heads allows more
Competition & Exposure visits	Residential Rs. 16,500/- per	Rs. 40,000/- (Domestic)	transparency, targeted utilization and

Particulars	Existing Norms	Norms Proposed by Committee	Justification
Education Support Misc. & Contingencies (including insurance)	annum for Non-Residential	Rs. 10,000/- Rs. 2,500/-	better monitoring. Enhanced medical coverage supports preventive and rehabilitative health interventions at early stages of training.
Consumable Equipment	Rs. 5.00 Lakhs (upto 50 Athletes) Rs. 8.00 Lakhs (50 -100 Athletes) Rs.10.00 Lakhs (100-150 Athletes) Rs.12.00 Lakhs (above 150 Athletes)	Discipline wise Norms proposed Total 23.63 Cr.	Existing norms (last revised 2016) were based on athlete strength per centre. The Committee recommended a shift to discipline-wise allocation of funds

iii. Financial Implication

Particulars	Existing Norms	Proposed Norms	
	No. of Residential Athletes		
	X No. of training Days X		
Boarding	Boarding Charges	3846 X 320 X 550 =	
20ur umg		Rs. 67,68,96,000/-	
	3846 X 320 X 330 =		
	Rs. 40,61,37,600/-		
	No. of Residential Athletes	No. of Athletes X Proposed	
	X Present Norms	Norms	
Sports Kit	3846 X 24000=	$4824 \times 15000 = Rs.$	
	Rs. 9,23,04,000	7,23,60,000/-	
Competition		No. of Athletes X Proposed	
Exposure and		Norms	
Visits	No. of Non-Residential	4824 X 40000 =	
	Athletes X Present Norms	Rs. 19,29,60,000/-	
	978 X 16500 =	No. of Athletes X Proposed	
Education	Rs. 1,61,37,000	Norms	
Support		4824 X 10000 =	
		Rs. 4,82,40,000/-	
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Misc and		No. of Athletes X Proposed	
Contingencies		Norms	
(including	T 4 1 D 10 04 41 000/	4824 X 2500 =	
insurance)	Total:- Rs. 10,84,41,000/-	Rs. 1,20,60,000/-	
Consumable	Do. 4.00.00.000/	Da 22 (2 25 500)	
Equipment	Rs. 4,89,00,000/-	Rs. 23,63,37,500/-	
Total	Rs. 56,34,78,600/-	Rs. 1,23,88,53,500/-	
Difference	Rs. 67,53,74,900/-		

6. In view of above, an additional amount of **Rs. 84,97,84,340/-** is needed to meet the revised norms towards boarding, domestic competition exposure, education support and consumable equipment (Revision of equipment norms proposed only for 03 disciplines i.e

- Archery, Fencing and Shooting) in NCOEs and an additional amount of **Rs.67,53,74,900**/- is needed to meet the revised norms towards boarding, sports kit, domestic competition exposure, education support, misc. contingencies and consumable equipment in STCs.
- 7. The additional budget requirement for implementing the revision in norms is already projected in BE 2026-27. In the presently held Pre-budget meeting on 10.10.2025 at Ministry of Finance (MoF), it was intimated that after approval from the apex body of SAI the proposal of revision of norms is to be submitted to Department of Expenditure, MoF for their concurrence. Only after that MoF would consider the increase in respective budget allocation.
- 8. Accordingly, the proposal for revision of norms for NCOEs and STCs is submitted.

Concurrence of the Finance Committee is solicited for revision of norms of NCOE having total financial implication of Rs. 84.98 crores and revision of norms of STC having total financial implication of Rs. 67.54 crores.